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**TO THE CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE  
RURAL DISTRICT OF WETHERBY.**

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you for your information and consideration the Annual Report upon the Health and Sanitary Circumstances of the Rural District of Wetherby for the year 1938.

On behalf of Dr. J. A. Hargreaves, Medical Officer of Health, I desire to express appreciation for the assistance and co-operation given by colleagues and by Members and Staff of the District Council.

I have also to thank the Chairman and Members of the various Committees for their support.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

**E. R. HARGREAVES,**

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

Council Offices,

Wetherby.

May, 1939.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.**

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Certified Sanitary Inspector (Royal Sanitary Institute).

Certificate in Hygiene (Board of Education).

Certificate in Physiology (Board of Education).

Certificate in Building Construction (Board of Education).

Certificate in Brickwork and Masonry (Full Technical Certificate of the London City and Guilds Institute).

Certificate in Plumbing (London City and Guilds Institute).

### **\* SURVEYOR AND SANITARY INSPECTOR:**

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National Certificate in Building (Institute of Builders and Board of Education).

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### **WATERWORKS ATTENDANT AND INSPECTOR:**

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**Mrs B. SEDDON.**

\* Exchequer contributions to the salaries of these Officers under the Local Government Act, 1933.

## SECTION ‘‘A’’—STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE DISTRICT.

The Wetherby Rural District can be roughly divided into two sections, one part forming a sector radiating from Wetherby to the Leeds City Boundary is rapidly developing into a residential district, whilst the remainder of the area is for the most part purely of an agricultural nature. The main local industries are Building and Farming, but there is no evidence in either case of extensive unemployment.

### General Statistics of the District.

Area (in acres) as amended by Review Order 1938	64,424
Population (1931 Census)	16,449
Population (1938 Registrar General estimate)	16,840
Total houses (1938 Rate-books)	5,214
Density of population per acre	0.2614
Average number of Persons per house	3.23
Inhabited houses (1931 Census)	4,239
Density of population per acre	0.2614
Rateable Value 1937-38	£97,924 0s. 0d.
Product of a penny rate	£380 2s.10d

### Alterations of the District.

The County of York (West Riding) Review Order, 1938, has made the following alterations to the district:—

#### Land transferred to other Local Authorities.

Parts of the parishes of Kirkby Overblow and North Rigton were transferred to Harrogate Borough, as follows:—

Kirkby Overblow	161 acres	100 population	26 houses
North Rigton	54 acres	32 population	5 houses

#### Internal Parish Alterations.

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As a result of the transfer of area, the new parishes of Kirkby Overblow and North Rigton are:—

Kirkby Overblow	2,224.5 acres	255 population	92 houses
North Rigton	3,058 acres	318 population	113 houses



# VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1938 (Summary).

(Registrar General's Figures).

BIRTHS.		Total	M	F	Birth Rate per 1000 estimated population	Wetherby R.D.	England and Wales
Live Births	Leg.	226	124	102			
	Illeg.	14	10	4	...	14.25	15.1
Still Births	Leg.	5	5	—	Rate per 1000 total (live and still) births	20.4	60.0
	Illeg.	—	—	—			
MORTALITY.							
Deaths (all causes)	...	208	97	111	Crude death rate per 1000 population	12.33	—
					Comparability Factor 1938 (Reg.-General)	0.88	—
					Corrected Death Rate per 1000 population (this is the rate which would apply if the age and sex distribution of the population were the same as for England and Wales as a whole)	...	...
					Death rates of infants under one year.	10.85	11.6
					All infants per 1000 Live Births	33.34	53.0
					Legitimate infants per 1000 legitimate live births	26.56	—
					Illegitimate infants per 1000 illegitimate live births.	143.0	—
MATERNAL MORTALITY.							
	No. of Deaths.						
Puerperal Sepsis	...	—			Death rate per 1000 total births	Nil	0.86
Other puerperal causes	...	1			ditto	4.13	2.11
Total puerperal deaths	...	1			ditto	4.13	2.97
SPECIAL MORTALITY.							
Deaths from cancer (all ages)	...				Deaths from Measles (all ages)	...	1
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	...				Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2)	...	—



## CAUSES OF DEATH.

(Registrar General's Short List).

	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Measles ... ..	—	—	—	—	1	1
3. Scarlet Fever ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Whooping Cough ... ..	—	—	—	—	1	—
5. Diphtheria... ..	—	1	—	—	—	1
6. Influenza ... ..	5	7	4	4	8	3
7. Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Cerebro-spinal Fever ... ..	—	—	—	—	1	1
9. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	7	4	6	6	9	10
10. Other Tuberculosis ... ..	4	2	3	3	3	—
11. Syphilis ... ..	—	—	—	1	—	—
12. General Paralysis of the Insane— Tabes Dorsalis ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	1
13. Cancer ... ..	38	18	37	31	21	31
14. Diabetes ... ..	2	2	—	2	7	4
15. Cerebral Hemorrhage... ..	10	9	16	11	15	17
16. Heart Disease ... ..	32	41	48	59	60	62
17. Aneurysm... ..	—	1	—	—	—	—
18. Other Circulatory Diseases ... ..	18	17	11	18	26	15
19. Bronchitis ... ..	16	14	7	12	9	3
20. Pneumonia (all forms)... ..	10	15	13	17	9	8
21. Other Respiratory Diseases... ..	3	2	6	3	—	—
22. Peptic Ulcer ... ..	—	3	3	3	3	1
23. Diarrhoea under two years ... ..	1	2	1	—	—	—
24. Appendicitis or Typhilitis ... ..	—	—	1	2	1	1
25. Cirrhosis of the Liver... ..	—	1	—	2	—	1
26. Other Liver Diseases ... ..	2	4	3	1	2	1
27. Other Digestive Diseases ... ..	2	3	10	3	11	2
28. Acute or Chronic Nephritis ... ..	5	3	3	8	7	4
29. Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Other Puerperal Diseases ... ..	—	—	—	1	1	1
31. Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, etc. ... ..	9	6	4	10	7	5
32. Senility ... ..	3	1	7	6	4	4
33. Suicide ... ..	4	2	1	—	—	—
34. Other Violence ... ..	12	4	6	10	7	10
35. Other Defined Diseases ... ..	6	14	23	8	21	21
36. Causes ill-defined or unknown ... ..	—	1	1	1	1	—
<b>TOTALS</b> ... ..	<b>189</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>208</b>

It may be worthy of note that of 208 deaths in the year,  
29.81 per cent were from Heart Disease.  
14.9 per cent were from Cancer.  
4.807 per cent were from Tubercular Disease.

Deaths from Puerperal causes are almost non-existent, and it is remarkable that there has not been any death from Puerperal Sepsis for six years.

## ANALYSIS OF AGES OF DEATH.

### Periods of Deaths.

The age period at which deaths occurred during the past year was as follows:

Under 1 year	1 to 2	2 to 4	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 and over
8	0	1	4	10	18	38	129

TABLE SHOWING DEATHS 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER.

65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78
5	4	4	4	9	3	4	10	4	6	7	5	8	4
79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	89	90	91	93	
12	7	3	6	1	3	8	3	2	3	1	1	2	

The total deaths belonging to the District were 208 and of these:—

62.01 per cent were 65 years of age and upwards.

49.14	„	70	„
19.23	„	80	„
1.92	„	90	„

# VITAL STATISTICS OF WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT FOR YEAR 1938 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

BIRTHS.		DEATHS.				RATES OF DEATH.			POPULATION.				
Year	Population estimated at mid-year.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 population.	Registered in the area.	Transfers. Out.	Transfers. In.	Total Deaths.	No. of deaths under 1 year old.	Crude.	Corrected.	Infantile Mortality.	Ino.	Dec.
1929	15550	232	14.91	181	10	40	211	10	13.56	...	43.1	21	...
1930	15550	236	15.71	157	11	33	179	15	11.40	...	63.3	57	...
1931	16448	247	15.02	167	10	35	192	10	11.6	...	40.4	55	...
1932	16640	271	15.93	178	3	37	212	7	12.74	...	25.8	59	...
1933	16650	235	13.69	189	8	28	209	12	12.48	...	52.61	26	...
1934	16740	226	13.50	179	8	43	214	9	12.78	...	42.05	12	...
1935	16830	215	12.77	169	10	45	204	8	12.77	...	37.2	11	...
1936	16990	225	13.24	179	9	52	222	13	13.06	11.5	57.77	3	...
1937	16900	228	13.49	179	8	64	235	12	13.91	12.24	52.64	—	7
1938	16840	240	14.25	161	8	55	208	8	12.33	10.85	33.34	32	...

NOTE.—These figures are based upon the Registrar General's calculations.

# **INFANT MORTALITY, 1938.**

*Nett Deaths from stated Causes at various ages under 1 year of age*

Cause of Death.	Under 1 week.	1-2 weeks.	2-3 weeks.	3-4 weeks.	Total under 4 weeks.	4 weeks and under 3 months.	3 months and under 6 months.	6 months and under 9 months.	9 months and under 12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.
Small Pox ... ..										
Chicken Pox ... ..										
Measles ... ..										
Influenza ... ..										
Scarlet Fever ... ..										
Whooping Cough ... ..										
Diphtheria and Croup ... ..										
Erysipelas ... ..										
Tuberculosis Meningitis... ..										
Abdominal Tuberculosis ... ..										
Other Tuberculous Diseases..										
Meningitis (not Tuberculous).	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Convulsions... ..										
Laryngitis ... ..										
Bronchitis ... ..										
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..										
Diarrhoea ... ..										
Gastritis ... ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Syphilis ... ..										
Rickets... ..										
Suffocation—Overlying ... ..										
Injury at Birth ... ..										
Atelectasis ... ..										
Congenital ... ..										
Malformation ... ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Premature Birth ... ..	3	1	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	4
Atrophy, Debility, &c. ... ..										
Deaths from Violence ... ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other Causes ... ..										
TOTALS ... ..	4	1	-	-	5	1	-	1	1	8

Nett Births Registered during the Calendar Year	{	Legitimate ... ..	226
		Illegitimate ... ..	14
			<u>240</u>

Nett Deaths Registered during the Calendar Year	{	Legitimate Infants ...	6
		Illegitimate Infants ...	2
			<u>8</u>



# AREA, POPULATION, AND DWELLINGS OF INDIVIDUAL PARISHES.

## Wetherby Rural District.

TOWNSHIP.	Estimated Extent Acres.	Population in 1931	No of Dwellings	Miscellaneous Habitations
Angram ... ..	521	51	11	—
Bardsey-cum Rigton ... ..	2752	796	391	1
Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	2299	357	90	1
Boston Spa ... ..	880	1433	517	4
Bramham-cum-Oglethorpe ... ..	4112	1042	295	5
Clifford ... ..	742	1110	273	6
Collingham (including part Linton)	2842	884	343	4
Deighton North... ..	1475	106	25	—
Harewood (including Dunkeswick, Weardley, Wigton and Wike) ...	8154	1161	332	1
Hutton Wandesley ... ..	1233	88	22	—
Keswick East ... ..	1290	503	186	3
Kearby-with-Netherby ... ..	1422	146	43	1
*Kirkby Overblow ... ..	2224	255	90	2
Kirk Deighton ... ..	2276	349	127	2
Long Marston ... ..	2850	254	70	2
Ribston Little ... ..	858	158	45	—
*Rigton North ... ..	3052	318	112	1
Scarcroft ... ..	1073	358	132	1
Sicklinghall ... ..	1495	235	61	3
Spofforth with Stockeld ... ..	5468	793	223	3
Thorner ... ..	2461	1113	340	3
Thorparch ... ..	1529	428	70	3
Tockwith (including Cowthorpe) ...	3188	496	146	3
Walton ... ..	1590	192	51	1
Weeton ... ..	1373	617	216	—
Wetherby including Micklethwaite and part of Linton) ... ..	2460	2805	868	12
Wighill ... ..	2247	180	48	1
Wilstrop ... ..	1080	49	13	—
Wothersome ... ..	772	40	11	—
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>64424</b>	<b>16317</b>	<b>5151</b>	<b>63</b>

Registrar General's Population Estimate, Mid-year 1938—5,214.

\*Part of these Parishes are transferred to Harrogate M.B. 1st April, 1938.

## **SECTION " B "—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.**

### **Public Health Officers.**

The names and qualifications of the staff will be found at the commencement of this report.

Owing to the prolonged illness of Dr. J. A. Hargreaves your Council have appointed Dr. E. R. Hargreaves to be Acting Medical Officer of Health.

An additional typist was provided in Mr. Gray's Department and Miss B. Seddon commenced duty on 26th September, 1938.

It is pleasing to record that Mr. J. Marriott, Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector was awarded during 1938 the "Ollett Silver Medal" of the Sanitary Inspectors' Association for a paper dealing with Town Planning.

The new Council Offices were completed and officially opened on 29th June, 1938, by Sir Bernard Lomas-Walker, K.B.E., the Chairman of the West Riding County Council. The facilities now provided are greatly appreciated by both Members of the Council and the Staff by enabling Air Raid Precautions and other additional work to be carried out under more satisfactory conditions.

### **Laboratory Facilities.**

There have been no changes in the arrangements for this service, viz:—

Chemical Analyses—Messrs. Richardson and Jaffe,  
County Analysts, Bradford.

Bacteriological Examinations—Public Health Laboratory,  
County Medical Officers Dept.,  
County Hall, Wakefield.

### **Ambulance Facilities.**

The arrangements made by the Council for these services were fully outlined in my report for 1936, and so far they are functioning very satisfactorily, and remain unaltered, viz:—

Private Ambulance in Wetherby and reciprocal arrangement for use of Harrogate and York Ambulances.

## **Mortuary.**

I have to again point out the need for an up-to-date Mortuary and Post Mortem Room in Wetherby.

The present arrangements at the Poor Law Institution are unsatisfactory, and in view of the probable closure of the Institution, the District will then be without any of these facilities.

From an Air Raids Precautions aspect there is also a serious need of proper accommodation in this respect.

## **Nursing in the Home.**

District Nursing Associations now serve almost the whole of the District. County Council Health Visitors render beneficial service in and around Wetherby.

## **Clinics and Treatment Centres.**

The District Council has no clinics or treatment centres under their control, but the following serve the district:—

Child Welfare	Wetherby Clinic	West Riding C.C.
Tuberculosis	Harrogate Dispensary	do.
Venereal Disease	Leeds Infirmary Harrogate Hospital	West Riding C.C. Scheme
Orthopaedic Facilities		
Artificial Light	No facilities exist as yet although it is hoped that clinics will be opened at Tadcaster and Harrogate in the near future.	

## **Hospital Services.**

These are fully outlined in the following table:



# HOSPITAL SERVICES—VOLUNTARY AND PUBLIC.

Purpose.	Name.	Situation.	Accommodation.		Management.
			M.	F. Children.	
Scarlet Fever, Enteric Fever and Diphtheria	Isolation Hospital	Thistle Hill, Knaresborough	28	30	14
Small Pox	Small Pox Hospital	Killinghall Road, Harrogate	3	8	—
Medical, Surgical and Maternity	General Hospital	Knaresborough Rd., Harrogate	46	58	10
Erysipelas	Fever Hospital	Menston	—	—	—
Medical, Surgical and Venereal Cases	General Infirmary	Leeds	—	—	—
Poor Law Infirmary	County Institution	Linton Road, Wetherby	—	—	—
Medical, Surgical and Venereal Cases	County Hospital	Monkgate, York	—	—	—
Tuberculosis	Various	Harrogate	—	—	—
Maternity	Maternity Homes	Leeds, York and Harrogate	—	—	—
Children	Various	Leeds, York and Harrogate	—	—	—



SECTION " C "—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE  
AREA.

WATER SUPPLIES.

General. Water is supplied by four public water undertakers and the appended table shows the extent of their supplies.

Undertaker.	No. of Houses in supply area.	Houses Supplied Number.	Percentage of total houses in district.
Wetherby District Water Co.	3674	3347	64.19%
Wetherby R.D.C. ....	836	459	8.81%
Leeds Corporation .....	302	274	5.26%
Lascelles Estates Ltd. ....	213	164	3.15%
Total	5025	4244	81.41%

These public supplies are analysed at quarterly intervals and at each analysis they have been proved to be satisfactory.

The following are specimen analyses:—

# CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Analysts—Messrs. Richardson & Jaffe, Bradford.

Supply	Total Solids.	Chlorine (Combined).	Nitrites.	Nitrogen as Nitrites.	Free Ammonia.	Albuminoid Ammonia.	Metals.	Hardness.	PH.	Remarks.
<b>Wetherby District</b>										
Water Company	20.0	1.30	None	None	None	0.007	None	10.00	7.4	High organic purity, quite safe for drinking purposes.
<b>Wetherby R.D.C.</b>										
(i) Eastern Area	25.0	1.0	None	0.100	0.0021	0.0014	None	20.0	7.4	Satisfactory. Safe and suitable for drinking purposes, but rather hard.
<b>(ii) Sicklinghall-Spofforth</b>										
	14.0	1.0	None	0.10	None	0.0007	None	7.5	6.6	Organically pure, — well suited for domestic use.
<b>(iii) Kirkby Overblow</b>										
	17.0	1.5	None	0.825	0.0056	0.0014	None	10.0	7.0	Good organic purity.
<b>Lascelles Estates Company Ltd.</b>										
	15.0	1.0	None	None	None	0.0014	None	5.0	6.6	Organically pure, quite safe for drinking purposes.

# BACTERIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS

Analysts—Dr. P. L. SUTHERLAND, Public Health Department, West Riding County Council.

...	Supply	Bacterial Content Average Number of organisms incubated on Agar Plates 2 days at 37°C. 3 days at 22°C.	Presumptive B. coli per 100 ml.	Remarks
Wetherby District	Water Company	28 per ml. 131 per ml.	1	The Examination shows that this water is satisfactory according to Ministry of Health Standards.
Wetherby R.D.C.	(i) Eastern Area	over 3000 per ml. over 30,000 per ml.	None	
	(ii) Sicklinghall.	2240	None	
	Spofforth	720 per ml. per ml.	None	
	(iii) Kirkby	152 per ml. 800 per ml.	None	
	Overblow	4 per ml. 80 per ml.	1	ditto
	(iv) Haggs Road	6 per ml. 4 per ml.	None	
	(v) Harewood	Uncountable 25 per ml.	None	
Leeds Corporation	(Wike)			The Examination shows that this water is satisfactory according to Ministry of Health Standards.
Lascelles Estates	Company Ltd.	5 per ml. 5 per ml.	None	ditto

**Wetherby District Water Company.** This Company now supplies thirteen whole parishes and a portion of another township out of the sixteen parishes forming their statutory area of supply. The Company can now only economically supply one further parish, namely-Little Ribston, and I hope that efforts will soon be made to carry out the necessary works. The number of houses supplied and parishes in which they are situate are given in a later table.

**Wetherby Rural District Council.** Your Council now supply nine whole parishes and part of another parish by means of four separate schemes.

The Eastern Area Scheme supplying five parishes was completed on 21st September 1938 and by the year end 143 houses had been connected thereto. As a result of doubtful analyses of the public supplies at Kirkby Overblow and Long Marston Reservoirs your Council decided to instal Chlorinating Apparatus at both schemes.

**Leeds Corporation.** The Corporation maintain a satisfactory supply of water to the Parish of Weeton and parts of the parishes of North Rigton and Harewood. For the supply to the hamlet of Wike, in the parish of Harewood, water is purchased in bulk by the Wetherby R.D.C. from the Leeds Corporation.

**Lascelles Estates Company Ltd.** This Company provides a supply of water to a large part of Harewood parish including the villages of Harewood and Weardley. It has been found necessary to instal Chlorinating Apparatus at the pumping station and the work was in hand towards the close of the year.

**Private Supplies.** Systematic analysis of private water supplies are made and during 1938 a total of 127 samples were collected, of which 25 were polluted and 36 of suspicious purity.

89 houses were supplied with a pure supply of water in lieu of polluted supplies, whilst 15 existing supplies were improved and eight wells cleansed or repaired during the year. Towards the end of 1938 your Council decided to investigate the possibilities of a public supply for the Parish of North Rigton and full details of the work are given in the Surveyor's Report.



# WATER SUPPLIES

Undertakers.	Parish.	Number of Houses in Parish.					Number of Houses Supplied.					
		1901	1911	1921	1931	1938	1901	1911	1921	1931	1938	
WETHERBY DISTRICT WATER COMPANY.	Bardsey...	63	69	70	235	392	...	4	35	42	196	332
	Boston Spa ...	339	347	346	398	521	...	116	297	308	374	519
	Bramham ...	165	233	237	270	300	...	—	106	139	184	230
	Clifford ...	225	187	189	227	279	...	—	74	140	199	258
	Collingham (part Linton added 1937) ...	83	125	144	175	347	...	64	97	111	156	339
	Deighton North ..	25	23	21	21	25	...	—	—	—	4	14
	*Harewood (Brandon)	10	10	10	11	11	...	—	—	—	—	11
	Keswick East ...	101	122	126	154	189	...	—	93	93	124	170
	Kirk Deighton ...	75	79	73	88	129	...	—	14	54	67	106
	Linton (Parishes abol. Micklethwaite 1937) ...	35	35	44	106	—	...	13	25	33	97	—
	Scarcroft ...	17	16	17	16	—	...	—	—	12	14	—
	Thornor ...	56	65	67	109	133	...	—	18	37	60	108
	Thorparch ...	215	229	254	298	343	...	—	109	147	230	290
	Walton ...	61	70	62	65	73	...	3	30	51	51	59
	Wetherby (Micklethwaite & part Linton added 1937)	39	40	42	45	52	...	—	29	32	42	51
		463	538	515	632	880	...	237	339	397	613	860

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Bilton-with-Bickerton	...	71	72	76	81	91	...	—	—	—	—	38
Hutton Wandesley	...	19	22	21	21	22	...	—	—	—	—	11
*Harewood (Wike)	...	29	29	29	29	27	...	—	—	—	—	22
Kearby-with-Netherby	...	36	40	37	45	44	...	—	—	—	—	27
†Kirkby Overblow	...	66	75	72	96	92	...	—	7	36	88	73
Long Marston	...	61	61	58	66	72	...	—	—	—	—	29
Sicklinghall...	...	52	49	54	59	64	...	—	—	—	—	38
Spofforth (in. Hagsgs supply)	...	172	186	180	203	226	...	—	—	—	—	156
Tockwith	...	152	147	138	138	149	...	—	—	—	—	34
Wighill	...	40	40	40	43	49	...	—	—	—	—	31
Total for area of supply		698	721	705	781	836	...	—	7	36	88	459



## **SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE.**

There are now 3,907 houses connected to various public sewers within the district and 61 houses to private works, making a total of 3,968 houses with efficient means of drainage. This is a percentage of 76.12 of the total number of houses within the area.

The Surveyor informs me that several of the older works are now taxed to their utmost capacity and increased expenditure must be anticipated in the near future in order to extend and modernise the schemes. The works at Thorner, Spofforth, Weeton, and Wetherby are particularly affected in this way.

The following extension of sewers have been made during the year in connection with building developments:—

### **Private Sewers** (Section 17, Public Health Act, 1937).

2,047 yards of 6" diameter sewer.

468 yards of 4" diameter sewer

### **Public Sewers.**

Wighill—50 yards of 6" diameter sewer.

There are 14 villages without sewerage schemes and three other villages with unsatisfactory schemes, and of this number 14 have a piped supply of water. I must therefore point out that the question of satisfactory sewage disposal in certain of these parishes is becoming an acute problem.

## **RIVERS AND STREAM POLLUTION.**

Twenty-one cases of stream pollution have been found and abated during the year. Sixteen of these cases were due to the discharge of house drainage direct into streams.

The difficulties of producing a constantly satisfactory effluent from several of the older Sewage Disposal Works has already been mentioned and the Surveyor (Mr. Gray) in his report also emphasises this point.

## **CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.**

The following table outlines the work performed under the above heading during 1938:—



Privy Middens converted to water closets ...	38
Pail Closets converted to water closets ...	31
Additional W.C.'s constructed ... ..	40
New Pail Closets constructed ... ..	3
Sanitary Conveniences repaired ... ..	58

### **PUBLIC CLEANSING.**

Further progress has been made under this heading and full details will be found in the Surveyor's Report. A summary of the main developments are:—

- (a) Sanitation Survey completed for approximately half the number of houses in the District.
- (b) Three additional parishes, namely Bardsey, Harewood and Thorparch containing 798 houses have been included in the Cleansing area
- (c) There are now 78 per cent. of the total houses in the District served by the Cleansing Schemes.
- (d) An additional tip attendant has been appointed so that all scavenging tips can be maintained on the "Controlled" System.

### **SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.**

The Tabular Statement of the Sanitary Inspectors under Article 27 of the Sanitary Officers (outside London) Regulations, 1935, is as follows:—

#### **Summary of Nuisances, Notices, Inspections and Licences for year ending 31st December 1938.**

HOUSE NUISANCES.					No. of Nuisances	
					Found.	Abated.
Dirty and/or verminous	...	...	...	...	11	11
Damp and/or dilapidated	...	...	...	...	173	156
Badly drained	...	...	...	...	35	32
Insufficiently lighted	...	...	...	...	27	29
Dilapidated sanitary conveniences	...	...	...	...	68	58
Privy Middens to W.C.'s.	...	...	...	...	38	38
Pail Closets to W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	31	31
New additional W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	40	40
New pail closets	...	...	...	...	3	3
New urinals	...	...	...	...	8	8
Untrapped sinks or having defective wastes	...	...	...	...	30	30



New sinks required	...	...	...	...	54	52
Defective dustbins, and new bins required	...	...	...	...	206	200
Dry Middens abolished	...	...	...	...	27	27
Temporarily stopped drains	...	...	...	...	275	275
Unsatisfactory sewage disposal	...	...	...	...	21	21
Drainage discharging to streams	...	...	...	...	16	13
Polluted water supplies	...	...	...	...	17	89
Inadequate water supply	...	...	...	...	7	7
Defective pumps	...	...	...	...	1	1
Polluted wells abolished	...	...	...	...		44
Polluted or defective wells cleansed or repaired	...	...	...	...		8
Defective yard paving	...	...	...	...	45	45
Miscellaneous house nuisances	...	...	...	...	56	71

#### GENERAL NUISANCES.

Offensive accumulations	...	...	...	...	10	10
Defective farm buildings (cowsheds, etc.)	...	...	...	...	29	28
Workshop nuisances	...	...	...	...	24	24
Dirty cowsheds	...	...	...	...	83	83
Slaughter house nuisances	...	...	...	...	8	8
Rivers and stream pollution	...	...	...	...	5	5
New drains	...	...	...	...		401
Drains reconstructed	...	...	...	...		118
Drains tested with smoke machine	...	...	...	...		191
New sewer connections	...	...	...	...		165
New I.C.'s and D.C.'s	...	...	...	...		126
Cesspools abolished	...	...	...	...		10
Miscellaneous general nuisances	...	...	...	...	19	42

#### NUISANCES AND NOTICES.

Total number of nuisances found during 1938	...	...	...	...	...	1710
No. of outstanding nuisances from 1937	...	...	...	...	...	173
No. of nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	1747
No. outstanding nuisances 31/12/38	...	...	...	...	...	136
Number of house nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	1251
Number of statutory notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	19
Number of statutory notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	6
Letter and notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	3532

#### INSPECTIONS.

Premises for Infectious Disease Inquiries	...	...	...	...	...	113
Houses disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	62
Schools disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	4
Nuisances, general	...	...	...	...	...	294
Schools	...	...	...	...	...	15
Nuisances, housing	...	...	...	...	...	685
Houses being erected	...	...	...	...	...	1489
Housing Acts	...	...	...	...	...	850
Cowsheds	...	...	...	...	...	1088
Milkshops	...	...	...	...	...	45
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	420
Emergency slaughters	...	...	...	...	...	73
Knackers Yards	...	...	...	...	...	17

Shops Acts	...	...	...	...	...	68
Butchers' Shops	...	...	...	...	...	166
Camping Grounds	...	...	...	...	...	99
Factories with Mechanical Power	...	...	...	...	...	198
Factories without Mechanical Power	...	...	...	...	...	763
Other factory premises	...	...	...	...	...	93
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	45
Offices	...	...	...	...	...	15

## LICENCES IN FORCE IN DISTRICT.

Slaughterhouses	...	...	16	Supplementary Licences for	
Knackers Yards	...	...	1	T.T. Milks	...
Slaughtermen	...	...	44	Supplementary Licences for	1
Game Dealers Licences	...	...	2	Pasteurized Milk	...
Camping Sites	...	...	22	Petroleum Licences	...
Moveable Dwellings	...	...	44	Carbide Licences	...
*Accredited Milk Producers			28		5
*Tuberculin Tested Milk					
Producers	...	...	4		
Dealers Licences for T.T.					230
Milks	...	...	2		

\* Issued by the West Riding County council.

## SHOPS AND OFFICES.

### Shops Act 1934.

The following table gives details of work carried out during the year under the above Act.

Inspections	...	...	...	...	68		
Sanitary conveniences required	...	...	...	2	provided	1	
Washing facilities required	...	...	...	1	provided	1	
Heating and ventilation unsatisfactory	...	...	...	2	remedied	2	
Need for separate conveniences for sexes	...	...	...	1	provided	1	

### Offices (Public Health Act 1936).

Work carried out under this heading was as follows:—

Inspections	...	...	...	...	15		
Sanitary conveniences required	...	...	...	2	provided	1	
Washing facilities required	...	...	...	1	provided	1	

## CAMPING SITES.

Much time has been devoted by your Council and Officials to the formulation of Camping Regulations and the issue of Camping Licences. I would point out that increased work will fall on the Sanitary Inspectors by the necessary frequent inspections of these sites.

(a) Number of sites in area used for camping	...	26
(b) „ „ „ licensed by Wetherby R.D.C.	...	22
(c) Maximum estimated number of campers at one time during summer 1938	...	600

## **SMOKE ABATEMENT.**

There are no industrial chimneys within the district.

## **SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.**

There are no swimming baths or pools open to the public within the District.

## **ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.**

It is pleasing to report that the problem of Bed Bugs infestation is not so acute in this district as it is in many surrounding areas. The number of cases coming to the attention of the Sanitary Inspectors or the Housing Estates Manager is very small, and the cases that do arise can usually be traced to the purchase of infested second-hand furniture. The appended table gives details of the work done under this heading during 1938:—

Infested Houses found:—Council 4, Private 7. Total 11.

Houses Disinfected:—Council 4, Private 7. Total 11.

Methods Employed:—Vermicide spray for woodwork and furniture and Fumigation with special fumigant on two occasions, 14 to 21 days elapsing between each application.

Methods employed to ensure that belongings are free from vermin before removal to Council house:—Not carried out as a routine measure. Inspections made on request of outside Authorities.

Disinfection performed by:—Sanitary Inspector's Department.

Measures of supervision or education to prevent re-infestation:—

Periodic inspection by Inspector who advises tenants regarding cleanliness and preventative measures against vermin.

## **SCHOOLS.**

The following is a list of schools within the District:—

Elementary Schools	...	...	22
Preparatory Schools	...	...	4
Home Office Approved School	...		1
Special School (Deaf and Dumb),			1
			<hr/>
Total			28

Nineteen inspections of schools have been made during 1938 and the following work has been executed.



Pure water supply in lieu of polluted supply	2
Washing facilities provided ... ..	2
Schools disinfected ... ..	4

A small epidemic of Scarlet Fever occurred in the early part of the year at the Home Office Approved School, but by means of early isolation and quick removal to hospital the spread of the disease was limited. With this one exception there has not been any widespread infection of any of the Notifiable Diseases, and as a whole, the health of the school children has been good.

## SECTION " D." HOUSING. .

### General Housing Statistics, 1938.

#### 1. Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year:—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... ..	342
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	1535
(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 ... ..	192
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	850
(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ..	2
(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... ..	(45 H.A.) (150 P.H.A.)

#### 2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal Notices:—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ..	(29 H.A.) (153 P.H.A.)
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#### 3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year:—

##### (a)—Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... ..	—
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:—	
(a) By owners ... ..	—
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ... ..	—



(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ..	18
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:—	
(a) By owners ... ..	6
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ... ..	—
(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:—	
(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... ..	4
(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ..	27
(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:—	
(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ... ..	—
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ..	—
<b>4. Housing Act, 1936—Part IV—Overcrowding:—</b>	
(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year ... ..	15
(ii) Number of families dwelling therein ... ..	17
(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein ... ..	117
(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ..	5
(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ... ..	42
(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases ...	308
(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding ... ..	1 case only
(e) Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the Medical Officer of Health may consider it desirable to report:—	

Difficulty of maintaining contact with the movement of tenants of working class houses, and the enlargement of families by natural means.

I only propose to summarise the main Housing Developments during 1938 as full information is given in the Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector's Report:—

## **SLUM CLEARANCE.**

Good progress has been made with the Slum Clearance Programme. The legal procedure has been completed in all but one case, and to date 66 houses have been demolished, 7 closed and 5 reconditioned out of the 137 houses on the scheme.

The delay in completion of Council Houses for rehousing tenants of these condemned houses is responsible for these figures not being much higher. I hope to make Official Representations regarding a number of additional houses during the coming year.

## **ABATEMENT OF OVERCROWDING.**

Five new cases have occurred, and 42 cases have been abated during 1938, leaving 15 cases outstanding. The Sanitary Inspectors are closely watching cases where overcrowding may occur by children attaining the age of ten years.

## **RECONDITIONING.**

Progress has again been made in the repair and reconditioning of defective dwellings, a total of 183 having been dealt with during the year.

It is proposed to proceed with this work in a systematic manner throughout the district, and it is pleasing to record that one large property owner is co-operating with us to a remarkable extent in improving his cottage property.

## **NEW HOUSES.**

145 new houses have been completed during 1938, of which number 64 were Council Houses. As a result of a careful inspection of the rate books, it is definitely established that there are 5214 houses in the District, of this total 1,664 houses have been erected in the last 19 years and 577 of the houses are Council owned.

At the end of the year there were 82 houses in course of erection, 42 of them being Council Houses.

# **NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES ERECTED IN THE DISTRICT DURING THE LAST NINE YEARS.**

Parish	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Angram ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Bardsey ... ..	21	9	9	13	12	24	21	20	23
Boston Spa ... ..	4	—	37	21	4	2	8	14	9
†Bickerton with Bilton ... ..	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	4	—
Bramham ... ..	—	—	20	—	—	—	—	6	4
Clifford ... ..	1	—	18	2	3	7	1	1	7
†Collingham ... ..	4	6	17	12	4	10	7	7	20
Deighton North ... ..	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
†Harewood ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	8
Keswick East ... ..	7	6	16	3	—	1	—	—	1
Kirk Deighton ... ..	—	—	1	—	7	8	3	8	4
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	3	—	—	3	2	—	1	4	—
*Linton ... ..	6	—	3	12	7	6	7	*—	—
Long Marston ... ..	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—
*Micklethwaite ... ..	—	—	4	—	—	—	6	*—	—
Rigton North ... ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	6	1
Scarcroft ... ..	3	1	5	3	9	7	2	7	9
Sicklinghall ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Spofforth ... ..	—	6	2	1	—	8	3	—	2
Thorner ... ..	8	5	11	—	1	—	—	12	3
Thorparch ... ..	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—	—
*Tockwith ... ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Walton ... ..	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—
Weeton ... ..	1	7	1	1	2	3	5	4	1
†Wetherby ... ..	5	28	12	16	7	15	1	28	42
Wighill ... ..	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	6
*Wigton ... ..	—	4	—	2	4	2	1	*	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>142</b>

\*Civil Parish abolished, 1937.    †Parish enlarged, 1937.

## **SECTION ‘E.’    INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.**

### **Milk Supply.**

Much time has been given to the supervision of the production and distribution of milk, and, in all, 1088 inspections have been made by the Sanitary Inspectors during 1938. 32 Dairy buildings have been repaired or entirely reconstructed, 11 new buildings have been erected and four old buildings closed.

315 Milk Farms are now registered with the Council, giving a total of 492 cowsheds and standings for approximately 4,333 cows. Full details of these are given in the report of the Sanitary Inspector. At the close of the year there were 32 licensed



producers of Accredited and Tuberculin Tested milks in the area. Generally the conditions of milk production in the area are reasonably good except in the case of some of the small producers and butter makers, in which case special attention is to be given by the Sanitary Inspectors in the coming year.

**MEAT INSPECTION.**

Inspection of various slaughterhouses, etc., are given in the appended table.

	No. in Area	Inspection.
Slaughterhouses .....	16	420
Meat Shops and Rooms .....	29	166
Meat Vans .....	No Record	7
Knackers' Yards .....	2	17
Farms, etc., for emergency slaughter .....	24	73

Repairs were carried out to one slaughterhouse, four dirty premises were found and quickly dealt with, and four other contraventions of the Bye-Laws abated during 1938.

Ante-mortem inspection of animals is carried out to a small extent, but owing to the distance apart of slaughter-houses and variation in hours of killing, much of this work is impossible. Post-mortem inspection is carried out by Mr. Marriott (who is a qualified Meat Inspector) in strict accordance with the directions of Memo 62/FOODS issued by the Minister of Health.

The appended table gives details of inspections and condemnations made during the year.

**CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.**

	Cattle excluding Cows. Cows. Calves.			Sheep and Lambs. Pigs.	
No killed (if known)	N o R e c o r d s.				
No. Inspected .....	499	4	103	788	597
<b>All Diseases except Tuberculosis</b>					
Whole carcasses condemned	—	1	2	8	4
Parts or carcase or organ condemned .....	1	—	1	—	1
% of No. inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis .....	0.2	25	2.91	1.01	0.9
<b>Tuberculosis</b>					
Whole carcasses condemned	1	1	1	—	5
Parts of carcase or organ condemned .....	2	—	1	—	2
% of No. inspected affected with Tuberculosis .....	0.6	25	1.94	—	1.17



Other Foods.

A general supervisory inspection is made of places where food is prepared, stored or sold. Bakehouses in particular are visited at regular intervals by the Inspectors.

Work under the Foods and Drugs Act is carried out by the West Riding County Council and details of the works done in the area during 1938 are given in the Sanitary Inspector's Report.

SECTION " F." PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL  
OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Zymotic Diseases.

Details of these cases are given in the following table.

Zymotic Diseases, 1938.

Disease.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Smallpox .....	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever .....	42	38	—
Diphtheria .....	7	4	1
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) .....	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia .....	3	—	—
Pneumonia .....	9	—	—
Other diseases generally notifiable (specify disease)			
Erysipelas .....	4	2	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	—	—
Others diseases notifiable locally (specify disease) ..	None	None	None
Total	66	44	1

Analysis of Notified Zymotic Cases into Age Groups.

Age Group,	Smallpox	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria,	Entertic	Puerperal Fever
Under 1 year	—	—	—	—	—
1— 2 years	—	2	—	—	—
2— 3	—	—	—	—	—
3— 4	—	—	—	—	—
4— 5	—	1	—	—	—
5—10	—	11	1	—	—
10—15	—	22	1	—	—
15—20	—	1	1	—	1
20—35	—	4	2	—	2
35—45	—	1	1	—	—
45—65	—	—	—	—	—
65 and over	—	—	1	—	—
Total	—	42	7	—	3

## TUBERCULOSIS.

Eight cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year, being a decrease of ten on 1937.

### New Cases and Mortality during 1938.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1938, are given in the following table.

	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Respiratory.		Non Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—
15—	—	1	—	—	1	2	—	—
25—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
35—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—
45—	2	2	—	—	1	1	—	—
55—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
65 and upwards	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Total	2	4	—	2	3	7	—	—

- (a) Ratio of non-notified tuberculosis deaths to total notified deaths:—1 in 3.33.
- (b) Efficiency of Notification of tuberculosis:—On the whole satisfactory.
- (c) Action taken for failure to notify:—None.
- (d) Wilful neglect or refusal to notify:—None.
- (e) Excessive incidence of, or mortality from tuberculosis in any particular occupation in the area:—None.

**Wetherby Rural District Council.**

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Wetherby.  
February, 1939.

**TO THE WETHERBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.**

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit for your information and consideration my 32nd Annual Report as your Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector, giving details of the work carried out in your Public Health Department during the twelve months ending 31st December, 1938.

The outstanding details of the year have been in connection with Housing, Water Supplies, Supervision of Camping, Abatement of Overcrowding and the extension of Public Cleansing Services.

The year has been one of progress in all respects and I am convinced that the amount of work outlined hereafter will be read with interest.

**TOWN PLANNING.**

The No. 1 Town Planning Scheme which has been under preparation for 3 years was made by the Council on the 25th of June last and was deposited with the Minister of Health on the 1st of July, 1938. This scheme has yet to receive the Minister of Health's approval and it is anticipated that a local inquiry into the Scheme will be held during 1939.

The No. 2 Town Planning Scheme is approaching the Draft Scheme Stage the date for its making having been extended to 31st of March, 1939.

## HOUSING.

### (1)—New Houses.

The erection of new houses has continued very active during the whole year, but there were signs of a reaction during the closing months when fewer plans were submitted for approval. The following tables give details of building development:—

### TABLE OF PLANS APPROVED DURING THE YEAR 1938.

#### With Corresponding Details for the Three Previous Years.

No. of Plans.				Type of Building.	No. of Buildings on such Plans.			
1935	1936	1937	1938		1935	1936	1937	1938
73	51	50	62	New Houses	129	101	71	73
2	8	13	6	Council Houses	6	54	96	22
29	28	37	26	Additions and Alterations to houses	31	33	56	28
4	4	4	2	Conversions to houses	4	4	6	3
2	5	9	8	Farm buildings	2	7	12	28
13	15	15	52	Workshops and Garages	14	15	17	51
82	71	77	92	Temporary buildings	82	77	81	94
1	3	6	8	Licensed Premises (Alterations etc).	1	3	6	8
1	4	13	2	Shops	1	4	16	2
—	3	6	4	Petrol Pumps	—	8	6	5
1	—	—	—	Slaughterhouse	1	—	—	—
3	1	—	1	Electrical Sub-Stations	3	1	—	1
—	1	—	—	Council Offices (W.R.D.C.).	—	1	—	—
—	1	—	—	Golf House	—	1	—	—
11	6	9	3	Sewer Details	—	—	—	—
9	14	7	8	Estate Plans	—	—	—	—
2	23	25	9	Miscellaneous	2	27	26	10
232	237	271	283		405	335	393	325

During the last 19 years 1664 new houses have been erected in the District, of this number 145 have been built during 1938 and 125, 71 and 101 in the preceding years.



# DETAILS OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED. 1938.

Parish.			Houses erected.		Rooms per		No. of W.C.'s, etc.
			Private.	W.R.D.C.	House.	Total	
Angram	...	...	1	—	3	3	Chemical Closet.
Bardsey	...	...	7	—	3	21	7
do.	...	...	—	4	4	16	4
do.	...	...	9	—	5	45	9
do.	...	...	3	—	6	18	4
Boston Spa	...	...	—	1	4	4	1
do.	...	...	4	1	5	25	5
do.	...	...	—	2	6	12	2
do.	...	...	1	—	7	7	1
Bramham	...	...	—	1	4	4	1
do.	...	...	—	2	6	12	2
do.	...	...	—	1	7	7	1
Clifford	...	...	—	1	4	4	1
do.	...	...	2	—	5	10	2
do.	...	...	—	2	6	12	2
do.	...	...	1	1	7	14	2
Collingham	...	...	—	9	4	36	9
do.	...	...	1	1	5	10	2
do.	...	...	—	2	6	12	2
do.	...	...	5	—	7	35	10
do.	...	...	2	—	8	16	4
Harewood	...	...	1	—	5	5	3
do.	...	...	2	—	7	14	4
do.	...	...	3	—	8	24	5
do.	...	...	1	—	10	10	3
do.	...	...	1	—	12	12	4
Kirk Deighton	...	...	4	—	5	20	4
East Keswick	...	...	1	—	7	7	2
North Rigton	...	...	1	—	6	6	1
Sicklinghall	...	...	1	—	11	11	1
Scarcroft	...	...	1	—	5	5	2
do.	...	...	6	—	6	36	6
do.	...	...	1	—	7	7	1
do.	...	...	1	—	9	9	2
Spofforth	...	...	—	1	4	4	1
do.	...	...	—	1	5	5	1
Thorner	...	...	1	—	4	4	earth closet
do.	...	...	2	—	6	12	2
Tockwith	...	...	—	2	3	6	2
do.	...	...	—	2	4	8	2

Wetherby	...	...	—	2	2	4	2
do.	...	...	1	4	3	15	5
do.	...	...	5	12	4	68	17
do.	...	...	11	1	5	60	12
do.	...	...	—	5	7	35	5
do.	...	...	1	—	8	8	1
Weeton	...	...	1	—	4	4	1
Wighill	...	...	—	2	3	6	2
do.	...	...	—	2	4	8	2
do.	...	...	—	2	5	10	2
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Total	...	...	81	64	—	726	166
							1 Earth Closet
							1 Chemical

#### HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION, 1st JANUARY, 1939.

Parish.	No. of Houses.		Total.
	Private.	W.R.D.C.	
Bardsey	10	—	10
Bickerton	—	4	4
Bramham	—	8	8
Boston Spa	5	10	15
Clifford	1	2	3
Collingham	4	—	4
Harewood	6	—	6
Kirk Deighton	2	—	2
Scarcroft	4	—	4
Spofforth	—	4	4
Tockwith	—	12	12
Walton	1	—	1
Wetherby	6	2	8
Weeton	1	—	1
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Totals	40	42	82

Much time has also been devoted to the preparation of new Building Bye-Laws, and it is hoped that these will be confirmed by the Minister of Health early in 1939.

#### (II)—SLUM CLEARANCE.

Good progress has been made under this heading and the following statement shows the position at the 31st December, 1938.

##### SLUM CLEARANCE SCHEME.

##### Legal Procedure.

(a) Demolition Orders issued	107
(b) Closing Orders issued	1
(c) Undertakings to disuse for habitation	15
(d) Undertakings to recondition dwellings	13
(e) Still under consideration by the Council	1
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Houses subject to Official Representations	137

**Clearance Progress.**

(a) Houses demolished ... ..	66
(b) Houses reconditioned per undertakings ... ..	5
(c) Houses in process of being reconditioned per undertakings ... ..	6
(d) Houses converted to other uses per undertakings	7
(e) Condemned houses (including 9 subject to undertakings and 1 to Closing Order) awaiting rehousing ... ..	41
(f) Condemned houses now vacant and awaiting demolition ... ..	11
(g) Still under consideration by the Council ... ..	1
Total ... ..	<hr/> 137 <hr/>

During the ensuing year it is hoped to make a further survey of a number of houses which it may be desirable to include in the Slum Clearance programme. This survey was held up during 1938 owing to pressure of other work, including A.R.P. and also to the prolonged illness of Dr. Hargreaves, Medical Officer of Health.

**(III)—OVERCROWDING ABATEMENT.**

It is pleasing to report that although 5 new cases of overcrowding have occurred due to children reaching the age of 10 years during the year, there are only 15 outstanding cases, 6 of which are in process of abatement.

A later table which gives a summary of work under the Housing Acts shows fully the progress made with abatement of overcrowding and associated matters.

Much time has been spent during 1938 checking Rent Book entries of Permitted Numbers, whilst the work of re-surveying houses where alterations and extensions have taken place will apparently be routine work in the future.

**(IV)—RECONDITIONING.**

29 Houses have been reconditioned under the Housing Act, 1936, and 153 repaired under the Public Health Acts.

There has been a marked increase of interest in the Housing (Rural Workers) Act and it is gratifying to record that during the last twelve months the following houses have been reconditioned under the Act.

Harewood ... ..	9
Bardsey ... ..	3
Angram ... ..	2
Total ... ..	<hr/> 14 <hr/>

Works are now in hand under the Rural Workers Act at Harewood (6 houses) and Wighill (2 houses) whilst grants have been promised for a further 2 houses at Harewood, and applications for 2 houses at Hutton Wandesley, also 3 houses at Tockwith are under consideration by the County Council.

The following table enumerates the Housing Defects which have been remedied during 1938.

## HOUSING DEFECTS.

				H.A.	P.H.A.
Number of Houses	dealt with	...	...	29	153
"	"	"	made into through houses	13	—
"	"	"	obstructive buildings demolished	28	11
"	"	"	with land lowered to below floor level	3	2
"	"	"	with yards concreted	20	6
"	"	"	with yards repaired	8	13
"	"	"	with buildings repaired	7	4
"	"	"	sanitary conveniences converted		
			repaired or insufficient	29	80
"	"	"	drainage work carried out	29	59
"	"	"	new sinks provided	29	20
"	"	"	improved water supply	6	90
"	"	"	roofs repaired	27	23
"	"	"	chimney stacks repaired	19	12
"	"	"	walls pointed and repaired	24	7
"	"	"	floors renewed or repaired	24	16
"	"	"	internal plastering repaired	18	13
"	"	"	dampness remedied	28	13
"	"	"	increased window area provided	24	5
"	"	"	improved ventilation	25	4
"	"	"	new food stores provided	15	8
"	"	"	food stores repaired	12	4
"	"	"	miscellaneous defects remedied		
			including staircases, cupboards, doors, coppers, etc.	20	28

### (V)—COUNCIL HOUSES AND RE-HOUSING.

The complete all-in-cost of your houses varies from £286 to £638 per house, whilst the rents at present charged range from 2/4 per week to 13/1 per week exclusive of rates and from 6/1 per week up to 18/- per week inclusive of all charges.

The annual rent roll has risen from £9,100 up to £9,811, and the total arrears at the last accounting period was £102 5s. 10d. The Repairs and Maintenance Fund at the last accounting period was £7,480 18s. 7d. whilst at the same date the Housing Equalisation Fund stood at £6,453 1s. 4d.

The following table gives full information regarding the houses owned by your Council.



# DETAILS OF COUNCIL HOUSES.

Size of house in bedrooms.

Parish	PARLOUR.				NON-PARLOUR.				Totals.			
	2.	3.	4.	5.	1.	2.	3.	4.	S.C.	O.C.	Gen.	Total
Bardsey	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	9	9
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	1*	...	1*	...	...	1
Bilton	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
Boston Spa	2†	8	...	...	1†	4†	67	...	...	...	82	82
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	7*	...	7*	...	...	7
"	...	...	...	2†	...	...	1†	1†	...	4†	...	4
Bramham	...	6	...	...	...	...	46	...	...	...	52	52
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	4*	...	4*	...	...	4
"	...	...	2†	1†	...	...	1†	...	...	4†	...	4
Clifford	...	10	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	...	39	39
"	...	...	...	...	...	2*	1*	...	3*	...	...	3
"	...	...	2†	1†	...	...	1†	...	...	4†	...	4
Collingham	...	8	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	34	34
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	8*	...	8*	...	...	8
"	...	...	2†	...	...	...	3†	1†	...	6†	...	6
N. Deighton	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	4	4
East Keswick	...	6	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	22	22
Kirk Deighton	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	12	12
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	2*	...	2*	...	...	2
**Kirkby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Overblow	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	4
Long Marston	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	...	6	6
"	...	...	...	...	...	2*	...	2*	4*	...	...	4
North Rigton	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	6*	...	6*	...	...	6
Spofforth	...	6	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	29	29
"	...	...	...	...	...	2*	2*	1*	5*	...	...	5
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	1†	1†	...	2†	...	2
Thorner	...	16	3	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	51	51
"	...	...	3*	...	...	...	6*	...	9*	...	...	9
Tockwith	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	4	4
"	...	...	...	...	...	2*	2*	...	4*	...	...	4
Walton	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	...	...	6	6
Weeton	...	21	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	22	22
"	...	...	...	...	...	...	1*	...	1*	...	...	1
Wetherby	...	64	...	...	2x	1x	66	...	...	...	133	133
"	...	...	...	...	...	3x	16*	...	19*	...	...	19
"	...	...	...	5†	...	...	2†	1†	...	8†	...	8
Wighill	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	4	4
"	...	...	...	...	...	1x	1*	4*	6*	...	...	6
"	...	...	...	...	...	1x†	1†	...	...	2†	...	2
Wigton	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	2
Totals	2	155	14	7	3	18	412	21	79	50	523	632

\*\* 9 houses transferred to Harrogate Corporation under the County Review Order 1938.

\* Slum Clearance.

† Abatement of Overcrowding.

‡ Reconditioned.

x Bungalows for Aged Persons.

Houses in course of erection—36 houses and 6 bungalows.

Plans approved by the Minister of Health—6 houses.

1 in 799 houses in Wetherby R.D. is Council owned.

# Details of Re-housing Progress since 1933.

Parish	Contracts let prior to 1938.				Contracts let during 1938.				Total	Complete to date	In Course of erection
	Slum		Overcrowding Subsidy	Non-Subsidy	Slum		Overcrowding Subsidy	Non-Subsidy			
	Clearance Subsidy				Clearance Subsidy						
Bardsey	...	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	4	4	—
Bickerton	...	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	4	—	4
Boston Spa	...	7	4	1	5	—	5	22	12	10	8
Bramham	...	4	4	2	8	—	—	18	10	8	2
Clifford	...	3	4	1	1	—	1	10	8	—	—
Collingham	...	9	5	2	—	—	—	16	16	—	—
Kirk Deighton	...	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—
Long Marston	...	4	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	—
North Ripton	...	6	—	—	—	—	—	6	6	—	—
Spofforth	...	5	2	1	3	—	1	12	8	4	—
Thornor	...	9	—	1	—	—	—	10	10	—	—
Tockwith	...	—	—	—	9	7	—	16	4	12	—
Weeton	...	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	2	—	—
Wetherby	...	20	7	13	2	—	—	42	40	2	—
Wighill	...	6	1	1	—	—	—	8	8	—	—
Totals	77	27	26	28	8	10	176	134	42		

## (V)—SUMMARY OF WORK UNDER HOUSING ACTS, 1938.

### 1.—Dwelling-House Inspection.

(a) Total houses inspected (H.A. and P.H.A.)	...	...	...	...	342
(b) Number of inspections on housing work	...	...	...	...	1535
(c) Houses record under Consolidation Regs.	...	...	...	...	192
(d) Houses found unfit for habitation	...	...	...	...	2
(e) Houses found defective but repairable					
Housing Acts, 1925-36	...	...	...	...	45
Public Health Act, 1936	...	...	...	...	150
(f) Houses found satisfactory	...	...	...	...	145

### 2.—Remedy of Defects.

(a) Houses reconditioned under Section 9 H.A., 1936	...	...	...	...	29
(b) Houses repaired under Public Health Act, 1936	...	...	...	...	153
(c) Housing notices served but works not commenced	...	...	...	...	15
(d) Houses with work in hand at year-end	...	...	...	...	21
(e) Inspected houses awaiting attention	...	...	...	...	83

### 3.—Slum Clearance.

(a) Houses demolished per Demolition Orders	...	...	...	...	27
(b) Demolition Orders operative—awaiting re-housing	...	...	...	...	41
(c) Demolition Orders operative—houses vacant	...	...	...	...	11
(d) Undertakings accepted to disuse as dwelling	...	...	...	...	3
(e) Undertakings accepted to recondition dwellings	...	...	...	...	7
(f) Houses still under consideration by the Council	...	...	...	...	1
(g) Houses demolished informally	...	...	...	...	—
(h) Houses voluntarily closed	...	...	...	...	3

### 4.—Overcrowding.

(a) Number of houses measured for Permitted Numbers	...	...	...	...	152
(b) Number of houses measured for Amended Permitted Numbers	...	...	...	...	37
(c) Total number of houses measured up-to-date	...	...	...	...	4498
(d) Number of Permitted Numbers issued to owners	...	...	...	...	23
(e) Number of Amended Permitted Numbers issued (owing to houses being altered, etc.)	...	...	...	...	5
(f) Number of rent books inspected for insertion of P.No.	...	...	...	...	122
(g) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of 1938	...	...	...	...	15
(h) Number of families therein	...	...	...	...	17
Number of inmates therein	...	...	...	...	117
Number of new cases of overcrowding abated during 1938	...	...	...	...	5
(i) Number of new cases of overcrowding during 1938	...	...	...	...	5
Number of persons concerned in such cases	...	...	...	...	32
(j) Number of overcrowded cases in process of being abated	...	...	...	...	6

### 5.—List of Demolished Houses.

Bardsey (Robinson, Wike Lane)	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bramham (Woodroffe, Town Hill)	...	...	...	...	...	2
Bramham (Hesketh, Back Street)	...	...	...	...	...	2
Bramham (Barran, High Street)	...	...	...	...	...	1
Collingham (L.N.E.R.)	...	...	...	...	...	2
Collingham (Nelson, Leeds Road)	...	...	...	...	...	1
Collingham (Lockwood, Linton)	...	...	...	...	...	1
Kearby (Lascelles Estates, Gill Cottage)	...	...	...	...	...	1



North Rigton (Bradley) ... ..	1
North Rigton (Clapham) ... ..	1
North Rigton (Hopkinson) ... ..	1
Thorner (Mexborough Estate, Church Hill) ... ..	9
Wetherby (Coote, Bridgefoot) ... ..	1
Wighill (West End Cottages) ... ..	3
<b>Closed Voluntarily—</b>	
Bramham (Back Street, B.P. Estate) ... ..	2
Wetherby (35 Market Place) ... ..	1

## ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES.

There is a decrease in the number of outstanding nuisances compared with increases in the last three years, this decrease being partly accounted for by the completion of the Eastern District Water Scheme and the closure of several polluted wells.

Nuisances outstanding at end 1937 ...	173
Nuisances found during 1938 ... ..	1710
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Total	1883
Nuisances abated during 1938 ... ..	1747
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Outstanding nuisances 31/12/38 ...	136

The General Table appended to this report gives an outline of the nature and numbers of the various classes of nuisance dealt with.

## HOUSE DRAINAGE AND CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

### (i) Sewer Connections.

There has again been an increase in the number of houses connected to the Wetherby Joint Swerage Scheme, and the following list shows the number of connections in each of the parishes served by the scheme.

Parish	No. of Houses
Bardsey ... ..	329
Collingham ... ..	311
East Keswick ... ..	166
Kirk Deighton ... ..	99
Scarcroft ... ..	75
Wetherby ... ..	836
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(includes licensed premises)	1816
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Assuming the Census average of 3.69 persons per house this gives an estimated total of 6.701 persons now served by these works.

At Alwoodley, in the Parish of Harewood, 13 additional houses have been connected to the sewers which discharge into those of the Leeds Corporation, thus making a total of 27 houses so connected.

To other schemes in various parishes in the District 65 additional houses were connected during 1938. These connections have enabled 10 cesspools to be abolished and the drainage of 13 houses removed from streams.

Attention is directed to the results to date of the Sanitation Survey, details of which are given under the heading of Public Cleansing.

### **(ii) Drainage.**

Conversion of Privies to W.C.'s, alterations of buildings, reconditioning of houses, etc., have accounted for the construction of 401 new drains and 126 new inspection chambers.

118 drains found to be defective have been reconstructed. 191 drainage systems have been tested with the smoke machine during the year.

### **(iii) Conversions and Closet Accommodation.**

The following list gives details of progress in this direction during 1938 and the three preceding years.

Year.	Privy Middens to W.C.'s.	Pail Closets to W.C.'s	New W.C.'s	Total
1938	38	31	40	109
1937	29	25	53	107
1936	26	11	52	89
1935	53	15	23	129

It is interesting to note that since 1918:—

448 Privy Middens have been converted to W.C.'s.

307 Pail Closets have been converted to W.C.'s.

819 New and additional water closets have been provided.

This work has been carried out without the Council making any contribution towards the expenses of the owners, but I would point out that it may be necessary in the near future to comply with Section 47 of the Public Health Act, 1936

Attention is again directed to the details of the Sanitation Survey which will be found in the section dealing with Public Cleansing.

## SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

I have to again direct your attention to the large extensions during recent years of sewers throughout your district and to the increased dry weather flow of sewage which is being received at the Disposal Works. This is of course due to the building developments which have taken place throughout the area, also to the conversion of Privies and Earth-closets to Waterclosets, and to the installation of baths. This has necessitated increased attention and supervision of the Disposal Works and additional inspection and cleansing of the growing miles of sewers for which your Council are responsible. It has also enhanced the difficulty of suitably disposing of the ever increasing amounts of sludge product. Several of the Disposal Works, notably at Spofforth, Thorner, Weeton and Wetherby, are now working at full pressure and I am compelled to point out that additions and alterations will be required to these works within the next few years; in addition, further assistance will be required to maintain the works so that the effluents comply with the standards of the West Riding Rivers Board.

### Sewer Extensions 1938.

#### Public Sewers

Wighill ——— 50 yards — 6" sewer.

#### Private Sewers (Section 17 P.H. Act, 1936).

———— 2047 yards — 6" sewer.

———— 468 yards — 4" sewer.

65 Sewer Manholes.

During 1938 165 houses were connected to the sewers, 2 defective sewers were repaired, 6 choked sewers were unstopped and cleansed, 4 defective ventilating shafts were renewed and 1 small sewage works repaired.

## WATER SUPPLIES.

A great deal of work has been carried out in connection with water supplies during 1938.

### (i) Public Water Supplies.

#### (a) Wetherby R.D.C.

The Eastern Area Water Scheme was completed on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 1938, and was officially opened by H. R. Hardcastle, Esq., A.M.I.C.E., Chairman of your Water Committee.



The completed scheme supplies the parishes of Bilton-with-Bickerton, Hutton Wandesley, Long Marston, Tockwith (with Cowthorpe) and Wighill, and to date 143 houses have been connected to the Scheme.

It was decided by your Council to have all public supplies within the district analysed bacteriologically at three monthly intervals and as a result of this it has been considered advisable to instal Chlorinating Apparatus at Kirkby Overblow and Long Marston Pumping Stations.

The Kearby High Level Automatic Switch Gear was installed in the early part of the year and has since then functioned satisfactorily.

Details of the Council's Public Water Supplies are given in the following table.

Parish.	Houses in Parish.	Connections Houses.	1938. Meters.	Total Connections Houses.	Meters.
Bilton-with- Bickerton	91	38	4	38	4
Hutton Wandesley	22	11	1	11	1
Kearby ... ..	44	4	2	27	8
Kirkby Overblow	92	—	—	73	8
— (Harrogate)	23	—	—	23	5
Long Marston ...	72	29	3	29	3
Sicklinghall ... ..	64	3	1	38	8
Spofforth ... ..	226	3	1	156	14
Tockwith ... ..	149	34	3	34	3
Wighill ... ..	49	31	4	31	4
Wike ... ..	27	—	—	22	3
Totals. ... ..	757	153	19	482	61

The increasing number of meters and the growing miles of water main, have greatly increased the work of the Water Inspector, and his services on other work are not now available.

(b) Wetherby District Water Company.

The water supply of this undertaking has been maintained in a satisfactory manner during 1938.

(c) Lascelles Estates Company.

As a result of the quarterly bacteriological analysis of Public Water Supplies, it was found that to ensure a satisfactory supply it would be necessary to instal Chlorinating Apparatus at the Pumping Station. This work was in hand at the close of the year.

(d) Leeds Corporation.

(e) Harrogate Corporation.

The supplies of these undertakers have been found to be satisfactory throughout the year.

(f) General

The following table shows the extent of the Public Water Supplies within the District.

Undertakers.	No. of houses in Supply Area.	No.	Houses Supplied Per. cent. of houses in the District.
Wetherby District Water Company	... 3674	3347	64.19
Wetherby R.D.C.	... 836	459	8.81
Leeds Corporation	... 302	274	5.26
Lascelles Estates Ltd.	Co. 213	164	3.15
	<hr/> 5025 <hr/>	<hr/> 4244 <hr/>	<hr/> 81.41 <hr/>

(ii) Private Water Supplies.

As a result of representations from the North Rigton Parish Council for the provision of a public water supply for the Parish, your Council decided to have all the private supplies within the Parish examined and this work was well advanced at the close of the year. The rights of supply for North Rigton are vested in the Wetherby District Water Company but negotiations are in progress for the acquisition of these powers to enable your Council to carry out a scheme for the Village.

There are now only the Parishes of Angram, North Rigton, Little Ribston, Wilstrop and Wothersome without a piped supply of water. Details respecting these villages are as follows:—

Parish.	Area.	Population.	No. of dwellings.
Angram ... ..	521	51	11
Ribston Little ...	858	158	45
Rigton North ... ..	3058	350	113
Wilstop ... ..	1080	49	13
Wothersome ... ..	772	40	11

The last two parishes are very scattered and therefore the first three parishes are the remaining ones in the District yet to be supplied.

The total number of samples of water collected during the year is 127. This compares with an average of 80.1 during the past 10 years and with 35, 56 and 300 in the years 1937, 1936 and 1935 respectively.



The results of analysis are as follows:

	Public Supplies.			Private Supplies.			Total.
	Good.	Suspicious.	Polluted.	Good.	Suspicious.	Polluted.	
Chemical	5	3	1	30	30	4	73
Bacteriological	23	3	13	8	—	7	54
Total ...	28	6	14	38	30	11	127

89 Houses were provided during the year with a pure supply of water in lieu of 44 polluted supplies, leaving an outstanding total of 128 houses with supplies of suspicious purity at 31st December, 1938. A further reduction of this number is anticipated during 1939 as more connections are made to the new water schemes. Existing supplies to 15 houses were improved whilst 8 wells were cleansed or repaired during the last twelve months.

## CAMPING AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS.

(Public Health Act, 1936—Sec. 268 and 269, Town and Country Planning Act, 1932).

Your Committee have devoted a great deal of time and thought to the administration of Sec. 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for the control of camping. Regulations have been prepared in order to secure uniformity of conditions governing the grant of camping licences. The Regulations deal with the Method of Application for Licences; the Equipment of Camping Grounds in relation to sanitary conveniences, water supply, refuse receptacles, space between and density of moveable dwellings etc., and the Maintenance and Control of Camping Grounds to secure proper sanitary conditions.

The following tables show the number of licences refused and granted during the year.

## MOVEABLE DWELLING LICENCES, 1938.

### Licences Granted.

Parish	Bungalows	Huts	Bus Bodies and Railway Coaches	Vans	Trailer Caravans	Total	License Refused
Bardsey ...	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
Collingham ...	1	3	3	—	—	7	6
East Keswick	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
Harewood ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Kearby ...	4	14	7	1	6	32	—
Tockwith ...	2	—	—	—	—	2	—
Totals ...	9	18	10	1	6	44	7

## CAMPING GROUND LICENCES.

Parish.	Licences Granted.		Licences Refused.	
	No. of sites.	Total area in acres	No. of sites	Total area in acres.
Bardsey ... ..	4	18.907	—	—
Collingham ... ..	4	10.663	1	1.000
Delghton N. ... ..	1	5.975	—	—
Harewood ... ..	—	—	1	5.750
Keswick E. ... ..	2	27.002	—	—
Kearby ... ..	7	18.608	2	2.299
Ribston Little ... ..	—	—	2	35.400
Scarcroft ... ..	1	2.400	—	—
Thorner ... ..	1	3.408	—	—
Tockwith ... ..	1	2.190	—	—
Wetherby ... ..	1	1.647	—	—
Total ... ..	22	90.800	6	44.449

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

### (i) Meat Inspection. Rural Districts (Slaughterhouse)

Order 1924. Public Health (Meat) Regulations 1924.

The following table gives details of slaughterhouses, Knackers Yards, etc., and the inspections made thereto during 1938.

	No.	Inspections.
Slaughterhouses ... ..	16	420
Butchers Shops and meat rooms	29	166
Meat Vans ... ..	No record	7
Knackers Yards ... ..	2	17
Farms, etc., for emergency slaughter ... ..	24	26
Slaughterhouses for emergency slaughter ... ..	—	47

Repairs were carried out to one slaughterhouse, 4 dirty premises were dealt with and 4 other contraventions of Slaughterhouse Bye-laws were found and attended to during 1938.

The attached tables give details of meat inspection.

### MEAT INSPECTIONS

Animal.	No. Inspected.	Entirely		parts of		
		Condemned.		carcase condemned		
		Other		Other		T'tal Com-
		T.B. disease.	disease.	T.B.	disease.	demned
Cows .. ...	4	1	1	—	—	2
Cattle (exclud. Cows)	499	1	—	2	1	4
Calves ... ..	103	1	2	1	1	5
Sheep and Lambs ...	788	—	8	—	—	8
Pigs .. ...	597	5	4	2	1	12
	1,987	8	15	5	3	31

## MEAT CONDEMNED.

Full Carcasses.	No.	Disease.	Weight in lbs.
Cow ... ..	1	Generalised Tuberculosis	740
Cow ... ..	1	Pyeamia ... ..	356
Bullock ... ..	1	Generalised Tuberculosis	580
Calves ... ..	1	do.	60
Calves ... ..	1	Emaciated ... ..	30
Calves ... ..	1	Medicine Taint ... ..	200
Sheep ... ..	7	Septic Intoxication ...	499
Pig ... ..	5	Generalised Tuberculosis	582
Sheep ... ..	1	Dropsy ... ..	64
Pig ... ..	2	Rickets and Dropsy ...	94
Pig ... ..	2	Fever (suspected Swine	

### Parts of Carcasses.

Bullock ... ..	2	Localised Tuberculosis	574
Bullock ... ..	1	Multiple Abscesses ...	24
Calf ... ..	1	Localised Tuberculosis	5
Pig ... ..	1	Badly bruised ... ..	10½
Pig ... ..	2	Localised Tuberculosis	25
Calf ... ..	1	Badly bruised ... ..	28
Total ... ..	31		lbs. 4079

Forty-two Renewals of Slaughtermens Licences under the Slaughter of Animals Act 1933 were made during the year whilst two new licences were granted. The Act continues to be complied with very satisfactorily and only one instance of contravention has been found during 1938.

Meat inspection work is carried out as systematically as possible in view of the scattered nature of the Slaughterhouses, but Butchers, Slaughtermen and others comply very well with the Regulations and so far as can be ascertained there are few attempts at evasion.

### (ii) Milk Supply.

Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Act, 1915.

Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act, 1922.

Milk and Dairies Order, 1926.

1,088 inspections have been made to registered Cowsheds during 1938 and 68 visits to Dairies and Milkshops. The following table enumerates the improvements secured to premises:

### COWSHEDS REPAIRS COMPLETED, 1938.

Cowsheds repaired ... ..	23
do. reconstructed ... ..	3
do. new ... ..	2
do. closed ... ..	4
New floors ... ..	13
Floors repaired ... ..	3
Drainage work ... ..	11
Drains repaired ... ..	7
New concrete paving ... ..	12
Internal reconstruction ... ..	10



Additional light ... ..	16
Existing windows repaired ... ..	5
Additional ventilation ... ..	12
Roofs repaired ... ..	3
New Cooling Houses ... ..	9
New Sterilising Houses ... ..	—
New Combined Milk Rooms ... ..	2
Cooling Houses repaired ... ..	3
Water Supply improved ... ..	8
Manure accumulation removed ... ..	5
Dirty Cowsheds ... ..	83
Dirty Milk Stools ... ..	35
Miscellaneous matters ... ..	28

#### Accredited Milk Inspections.

No. of farms visited for W.R.C.C. ... ..	1
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There are now 311 farms producing Milk or Butter in the District, having a total of 492 Cowsheds and standings for 4,330 Cows. This is a decrease during the year of 7 farms having nine Cowsheds and 210 Cows.

### TABLE OF COWSHEDS IN THE DISTRICT.

Parish	Number of Milk Producing Farms.			Number of		
	Wholesale	Retail	Butter	Cowsheds	Cows	Retail Purveyors.
Angram ... ..	—	2	1	3	14	2
Bardsey ... ..	6	8	1	31	279	14
Bickerton with Bilton	1	6	7	15	88	7
Boston Spa ... ..	1	1	—	4	16	6
Bramham ... ..	10	5	1	23	212	12
Clifford ... ..	2	5	—	10	65	7
Collingham ... ..	2	5	2	12	124	7
Deighton North	—	2	2	4	24	2
Harewood ... ..	27	10	1	83	808	22
Hutton ... ..	1	—	2	5	61	2
Wandesley						
Kearby ... ..	12	1	4	35	293	1
Keswick East	7	3	1	23	190	5
Kirk Deighton	3	4	4	16	201	8
Kirkby Overblow	9	2	1	25	261	9
Long Marston	2	3	5	10	67	4
Ribston Little	—	5	1	6	43	4
Rigton ... ..	7	5	8	35	267	7
Scarcroft ... ..	4	1	—	9	107	4
Sicklinghall ... ..	5	3	2	13	96	6
Spofforth ... ..	14	8	2	32	317	8
Thorner ... ..	11	1	3	23	247	11
Tockwith ... ..	1	6	5	13	68	5
Thorp Arch ... ..	3	4	—	9	69	5
Walton ... ..	2	4	1	8	60	6
Weeton ... ..	6	4	3	19	148	8



Wetherby ... ..	2	3	—	7	79	9
Wighill ... ..	3	4	3	10	73	6
Wilstrop ... ..	—	—	4	5	26	1
Wothersome ... ..	1	—	—	4	30	—
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Total ... ..	142	105	64	492	4,333	188

(iii) **Designated Milks**—Milk (Special Designations) Order 1936.  
Licences issued under the above Order are as follows:—

Accredited Milk ... ..	28
Tuberculin Tested Milk ... ..	4
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Total	32
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by the West Riding County Council.

Licences issued by the Wetherby Rural District Council for the sale of Designated Grades of Milk produced outside the District:—

Tuberculin Tested—Dealers ... ..	2
Tuberculin Tested—Supplementary ... ..	1
Pasteurised—Supplementary ... ..	1
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Total	4
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(iv) **Food and Drugs.** (Food and Drugs Consolidation Act, 1928)

Dr. T. N. V. Potts, County Medical Officer of Health to the West Riding of Yorkshire County Council, has kindly supplied the following details of supplies of Milk, Food and Drugs collected in the District and analysed for adulteration of quality under Food and Drugs (Consolidation) Act, 1928.

	Genuine	Adulterated
Milk	35	2
Other Foods	15	—
Drugs	—	—
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Totals	50	2
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The two adulterated Milk samples were dealt with by cautioning the vendors.

(v) **General.**

There are 10 Bakehouses within the District, 11 Fish and Chip Shops and a number of food preparing establishments which are inspected at regular intervals. The Market at Wetherby is owned by your Council and is subject to careful supervision.

## CONTROL OF WORKPLACES.

### (i) **Factories.** (Factory Act, 1937).

This new Statute which came into operation during the year has made many changes in the procedure and duties of Local Authorities. The definition of a "factory" is fairly wide and divided into two classes, i.e., Factories with and Factories without mechanical power. Building and Engineering operations are also included and the following is a provisional list of the factories within the district.

### LIST OF FACTORIES.

Parish.	Factories.		Total.	Other Premises Under Act.
	Mechanical Power With.	Without.		
Angram ... ..	—	—	—	1
Bardsey ... ..	3	4	7	10
Bickerton ... ..	—	1	1	1
Boston Spa ... ..	6	21	27	5
Bramham ... ..	4	12	16	1
Clifford ... ..	6	5	11	3
Collingham ... ..	6	4	10	9
Deighton N. ... ..	—	—	—	—
Harewood ... ..	4	19	23	6
H. Wandesley ... ..	—	1	1	—
Kearby ... ..	—	—	—	—
Keswick El. ... ..	1	8	9	1
Kirk Deighton ... ..	—	7	7	1
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	1	3	4	—
Long Marston ... ..	1	5	6	1
Ribston Little ... ..	—	—	—	—
Rigton ... ..	—	6	6	1
Scarcroft ... ..	3	1	4	7
Sicklinghall ... ..	1	4	5	1
Spofforth ... ..	4	9	13	1
Thorner ... ..	2	19	21	2
Tockwith ... ..	—	5	5	1
Thorp Arch ... ..	3	5	7	—
Walton ... ..	1	1	2	1
Weeton ... ..	—	6	6	2
Wetherby ... ..	20	49	69	11
Wighill ... ..	—	2	2	2
Wilstrop ... ..	—	—	—	—
Wothersome ... ..	—	1	1	—
<b>Total ... ..</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>68</b>

Appended is a classification of these factories.

**TABLE OF FACTORIES AND OTHER PREMISES.**

Type of Factory.	Factories Mechanical Power		Other Premises
	With.	Without.	
Aerated Water ... ..	1	—	
Agricultural Engineer ... ..	1	—	
Baking ... ..	4	6	
Boot Maker—Repairer ... ..	1	—	
Boot and Shoe Repairer ... ..	1	14	
Builders and Mason Yards ... ..	—	13	
Clothing manufacture ... ..	4	12	
Cycle Repairs ... ..	—	1	
Dairies (Milk Bottling) ... ..	—	43	
Electrical Sub-station ... ..	—	3	
Highway Repair Yards ... ..	—	2	
Golf Club Workshops ... ..	—	3	
Gasworks and Gasholders ... ..	1	2	
Ironmongers Workshop ... ..	—	1	
Laundries ... ..	3	3	
Milking ... ..	7	—	
Motor Vehicle Repairs ... ..	9	8	
Painters Workshops ... ..	—	7	
Plumbers Workshops ... ..	—	11	
Printing ... ..	1	—	
Saddlery ... ..	—	6	
Sand and Gravel Quarries ... ..	3	—	
Sewage Pumping Plants ... ..	3	—	
Sewage Works ... ..	—	6	
Slaughter and Dresser of Carcases ... ..	—	17	
Sweet Manufacture ... ..	—	1	
Tinsmith ... ..	—	2	
Upholstery ... ..	—	1	
Waterworks ... ..	8	1	
Woodworkers ... ..	16	26	
Building Operations ... ..			67
Engineering Operations ... ..			1
Total ... ..	66	198	68

### Summary of Work executed under the Act.

198 inspections have been made of factories with mechanical power.

763 inspections have been made of factories without mechanical power.

93 inspections have been made to other workshop premises.

5 dirty premises found and cleansed.

12 dirty sanitary conveniences found and cleansed.

2 Building Estates without sanitary conveniences.

4 miscellaneous defects.

(ii) **Shops** (Shops Act, 1934)

Progress has again been made under this heading and the following details show the work carried out.

Inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
Premises visited	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Premises needing attention	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Premises in which works were executed	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Sanitary Conveniences required	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ „ provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Washing facilities required	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ „ provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Heating and Ventilation required	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ „ „ provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Arrangements for separate Sanitary Conveniences for sexes	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
No. of sinks provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
No. of W.C.'s provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

(iii) **Offices.** (Public Health Act, 1936).

The new powers for provision of sanitary conveniences etc., in offices have been slightly used during the year.

Inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Premises visited	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Sanitary Conveniences required	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ „ provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Washing facilities required	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ „ provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

(iv) **Petroleum and Carbide.** (Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928, Cellulose Solution Regulations 1934, Calcium of Carbide Order).

There are now 25 Public Petrol Filling Stations, six Private Petrol Filling Stations and 19 Petroleum Stores licensed by your Council for the storage of a total of 58,370 gallons of Petrol, this being an increase of 44 gallons on the year notwithstanding the transfer to Harrogate Corporation under the County Review Order of one Public Filling Station having a storage capacity of 5,000 gallons.

There has been a further decrease in the number of licences issued for the storage of Calcium of Carbide being five as com-



pared with seven a year ago, with a storage capacity of 15cwts. 23lbs. compared with last year's total of 1 ton 8cwts. 103lbs.

### **NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.**

#### **(i) Zymotic Disease.**

113 visits have been made during the year to infected premises and 66 premises have been disinfected. The number of notified cases was 57, being an increase of 7 on the previous year.

Full details of these cases are given in the following table:—

# ZYMOTIC DISEASE, 1938.

	Scarlet Fever		Diphtheria		P. Pyrexia		Erysipelas		Oph. N.	
	Not.	Rem..	Not	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.	Not.	Rem.
Bardsey with Rigton	4	4	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bilton with Bickerton	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boston Spa	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bramham with Oglethorpe	2	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clifford	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Collingham	2	2	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
Harewood	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hutton Wandesley	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
Keswick East	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
Kirk Deighton	2	2	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Scarcroft	4	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Thorparch	11	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tockwith	2	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Walton	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wetherby	5	4	1	1	...	1	...	...	1	...
Totals	42	38	7	4	...	3	4	2	...	1

Total cases of Zymotic Disease—57. Total cases of Zymotic Disease removed to Hospital—44.

(ii) **Tuberculosis.**

Eight new cases of this disease have been notified during 1938 compared with 12, 18 and 17 in preceding years. Six of the notifications were in respect of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and two of the other types.

Three cases have been removed from the Register and there have been seven deaths of registered persons leaving 67 cases in the register at the year end.



# TUBERCULOSIS, 1938.

	NOTIFIED,				DIED				REMOVED FOR OTHER REASONS.			
	Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Boston Spa	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Clifford ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Collingham	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harewood	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kirk Deighton	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rigton ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sicklinghall	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spofforth with Stockeld	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thorner ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wetherby	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	...	...	1
Totals	...	2	4	...	2	...	5	...	1	...	...	2

## (ii) Pneumonia.

9 cases of Pneumonia have been notified during 12 months compared with 12, 11 and 5 in previous years.

PARISH.	Pneumonia unclassified	Acute Primary Pneumonia	Acute Lobar Pneumonia	Totals
Bickerton	...	...	...	1
Boston Spa	...	...	...	1
Harewood	...	2	1	3
Spofforth	...	...	...	1
Wetherby	...	1	...	3
Totals	...	3	1	9

## **PUBLIC CLEANSING.**

The year has been one of marked activity under this heading.

The Sanitation Survey mentioned in my last report has progressed reasonably well in view of the pressure of other work and approximately half of the total houses in the District have been surveyed.

The corrected figures at the end of 1938 are as follows:—

# Sanitation Statistics of Wetherby R.D. (part), 31st Dec., 1938.

Parish	No. of houses	Area in acres	CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.			REFUSE STORAGE.			HOUSE SEWAGE DISPOSAL.					
			W.C.	Pail	Privy Midden	Dust Bins	open	Middens covered	Sewered	Private works	Cess-pools & land drains	No Mis-cell.		
Bramham	300	4112	230	48	64	193	4	9	242	14	2	21	7	14
Boston Spa	521	880	582	67	11	536	13	3	505	—	1	12	1	2
Clifford	279	742	310	21	29	259	3	7	249	—	16	11	1	—
Rigton N.	113	3058	27	33	56	29	—	—	6	—	1	32	3	71
Thorner	343	2461	303	46	48	281	1	8	306	—	3	28	2	9
Thorparch	73	1529	74	23	26	46	4	4	52	3	2	3	—	3
Wetherby	880	2460	1139	47	10	931	7	12	836	1	11	24	3	3
Total	2509	15242	2670	285	244	2275	32	43	2196	18	36	131	17	102



It is hoped to complete this survey during the ensuing year.

Three additional parishes have been included in the Public Cleansing area, and it is interesting to note that 78 per cent of the total houses in the District are now served, whilst the total area of the included parishes is 55 per cent of the area of the District.

Owing to the increasing number of tips it has been found necessary to appoint a workman who devotes the whole of his time to controlling these tips. This workman commenced duty on 26th September, 1938, and it is now possible to dispose of refuse on the lines of controlled tipping. Full details of Cleansing Work are given in the following table:

# PUBLIC CLEANSING, 1938.

Parish	Number of Houses	Contractor	Vehicles		Refuse removed yds.	Loads	cess-pools	per house	Annual costs			Rate charge pence	Moveable receptacles	Details of Service Privies & Middens		Period Time
			Type	Cap. cub yds					s. d.	£.	s. d.					
*Bardsey	... 392	F. W. Lawday & Co.	Motor	4	196	784	—	9 8	*189	5	0	6.43	14 days	28 days	Day	
Boston Spa	... 521	Wetherby R.D.C.	Horse	3	914	2742	—	13 5	349	0	11	8.812	7 days	28 days	Night	
Bramham	... 300	J. M. Skinner	Horse	2	301	602	—	6 0	89	17	11	6.24	7 days	28 days	Night	
Clifford	... 279	J. Dawson	Horse	3	595	1785	21	9 6	132	15	1	9.348	7 days	28 days	Night	
Collingham	... 347	P. Fletcher & Son	Horse	3	220	660	21	12 2½	206	16	4	6.766	7 days	28 days	Night	
"			Motor	4	158	632										
Kirk																
Deighton	... 129	J. R. Swales	Horse	1½	210	315	—	6 10	44	3	10	6.159	14 days	28 days	Day	
**Harewood	... 333	G. L. Bryant	Motor	4	719	2876	—	27 4	**455	13	7	15.22	7 days	28 days	Day	
Spooforth	... 226	C. W. Wilson	Horse	2½	379	948	—	9 8	108	19	2	7.391	7 days	28 days	Day	
Thorner	... 343	H. Warrington	Horse	2½	477	1193	6	7 5	127	4	5	6.032	7 days	28 days	Night	
††Thorparch	... 73	W. H. Sampson	Horse	3½	118	413	2	30 4½	††110	16	6	19.64	7 days	28 days	Day	
Weeton	... 216	L. Hardisty	Motor	4	136	544	—	10 9½	118	11	7	6.552	7 days	28 days	Night	
Wetherby	... 880	Wetherby R.D.C.	Horse	3	1028	3084	56	10 10¾	479	7	11	6.155	14 days	28 days	Night	
			Motor	6	157	942										
Totals or Averages	... 4039	35049	—	—	5608	17540	106	11 8½	2,391	0	2	7.9				

† This includes costs of collection, disposal and all incidental expenses.

\* Bardsey scavenging commenced 1st July, 1938.—Actual cost to 31st December—£94 12s. 6d.

\*\* Harewood scavenging commenced 1st May, 1938.—Actual cost to 31st December, 1938—£303 15s. 9d.

†† Thorparch scavenging commenced 1st May, 1938.—Actual cost to 31st December, 1938—£73 17s. 8d.

## RAG AND FLOCK ACT, 1911.

There are three establishments in the District to which the Act applies and it has not been found necessary to take any action during 1938.

## PUBLIC LAVATORIES.

These conveniences in Wetherby, which were erected in 1921 at a cost of £331 of general rates, have in the 17 years since their completion produced a profit of £101 16s. 1d. which has gone to the relief of the rates, in addition to providing an essential public service.

The following statement gives financial details for the last three years.

Year.	Income.	Expenditure.	Surplus.
1938 ... ..	60 12 9	52 6 2	8 6 7
1937 ... ..	64 9 11	59 11 6	4 18 5
1936 ... ..	49 15 0	40 16 9	8 19 1

## GENERAL.

### (i) Alteration of Area.

Under the provisions of the County of York West Riding Review Order, 1938, which came into operation on the 1st day of April, 1938, the following changes were effected by parts of the Parishes of Kirkby Overblow and Rigton being transferred to the Harrogate Borough Area:—

	Area Acres	Population 1931 Census	House No.
Kirkby Overblow ... ..	2385.5	355	118
Portion transferred to Harrogate Borough	161	100	26
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New Parish ... ..	2224.5	255	92
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Rigton ... ..	3112	350	118
Portion transferred to Harrogate Borough	54	32	5
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New Parish ... ..	3058	318	113
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The total statistics of the District are now—Area 64,424 acres, 5,214 houses.

### (ii) New Offices.

The new Council Offices were completed during the year and were officially opened on 29th June, 1938, by Sir Bernard Lomas-Walker, K.B.E., the Chairman of the West Riding County Council. The facilities now provided have made greater efficiency in the execution of office work.

(iii) **Staff.**

Owing to the prolonged illness of Dr. J. A. Hargreaves your Council appointed Dr. E. R. Hargreaves, D.P.H., as Acting Medical Officer.

As already mentioned, a new Tip Attendant—J. Deighton was appointed on 26th September last.

On the same date Miss B. Seddon commenced duty as Shorthand Typist.

It is pleasing to report that Mr. J. Marriott, Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector was awarded the Ollett Silver Medal of the Sanitary Inspector's Association for a paper dealing with "Town and Country Planning," which was read at a meeting of the North-Eastern Centre of the Association.

(iv) **Conclusion.**

In conclusion I have to express my sincere thanks to the Members, Officers and Staff of the Council and to the Officials of the West Riding County Council, also other Public Authorities for their generous assistance at all times.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

**THOMAS V. GRAY.**





